WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1   1. A method of enhancing the quality of data stored in a system, the method comprising:

2   receiving data from a first data enterer;

3   accepting data received from the first data enterer into the system if the data are

4   entered in a format compliant with a first set of rules;

5   receiving first additional data from a second data enterer, the first additional data

6   being related to the data received from the first data enterer; and

7   accepting first additional data received from the second data enterer into the system if

8   the data are entered in a format compliant with a second set of rules.

1   2. The method of claim 1, wherein, to comply with the second set of rules, the data must also

2   comply with the first set of rules.

1   3. The method of claim 1, further comprising:

2   comparing data accepted into the system with a third set of rules;

3   detecting an inconsistency in data entered into the system with a rule from the third

4   set of rules;

5   dispatching a report of the inconsistency to an error corrector; and

6   receiving corrected data from the error corrector.

1   4. The method of claim 3, wherein, to comply with the third set of rules, the data must also

2   comply with the second set of rules.

1   5. The method of claim 3, further comprising releasing the data received from the first and

2   second data enterers and entered into the system for use by a user of the system before the

3   corrected data are received from the error corrector.

1   6. The method of claim 3, further comprising requiring that the inconsistency be corrected by

2   the error corrector within a particular timeframe.

1   7. The method of claim 6, further comprising reminding the error corrector to correct the data

2   before the end of the timeframe.

1 8. The method of claim 3, further comprising:

2   dispatching a particular error to a particular error corrector for correction.

1 9. The method of claim 8, further comprising:

2   monitoring the load of errors assigned to an error corrector; and

3   dispatching an additional report of inconsistency to another error corrector when the

4 load of errors assigned to the error corrector exceeds a threshold load.

5 10. A computer program product, tangibly stored on a machine readable medium, for enhancing

6 the quality of data stored in a system, the computer program product comprising instructions

7 for causing a processor to:

8   receive data from a first data enterer;

9   accept data received from the first data enterer into the system if the data are entered

10 in a format compliant with a first set of rules;

11   receive first additional data from a second data enterer, the first additional data being

12 related to the data received from the first data enterer; and

13   accept first additional data received from the second data enterer into the system if the

14 data are entered in a format compliant with a second set of rules.

1 11. The computer program product of claim 10, wherein, to comply with the second set of rules,

2 the data must also comply with the first set of rules.

1 12. The computer program product of claim, wherein the computer program product further

2 comprises instructions for causing a processor to:

3   compare data accepted into the system with a third set of rules;

4   detect an inconsistency in data entered into the system with a rule from the third set of

5 rules;

6   dispatch a report of the inconsistency to an error corrector; and

7   receive corrected data from the error corrector.

1 13. The computer program product of claim 12, wherein, to comply with the third set of rules,
2 the data must also comply with the second set of rules.

1 14. The computer program product of claim 12, wherein the computer program product further
2 comprises instructions for causing a processor to release the data received from the first and
3 second data enterers and entered into the system for use by a user of the system before the
4 corrected data are received from the error corrector.

1 15. The computer program product of claim 12, wherein the computer program product further
2 comprises instructions for causing a processor to require that the inconsistency be corrected
3 by the error corrector within a particular timeframe.

1 16. The computer program product of claim 15, wherein the computer program product further
2 comprises instructions for causing a processor to remind the error corrector to correct the
3 data before the end of the timeframe.

1 17. The computer program product of claim 12, wherein the computer program product further
2 comprises instructions for causing a processor to dispatch a particular error to a particular
3 error corrector for correction.

1 18. The computer program product of claim 17, wherein the computer program product further
2 comprises instructions for causing a processor to:
3   monitor the load of errors assigned to an error corrector; and
4   dispatch an additional report of inconsistency to another error corrector when the load
5 of errors assigned to the error corrector exceeds a threshold load.